CITY OF SANTA CLARA YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES December 11, 2012

The City of Santa Clara Youth Commission met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 6:00pm at the Santa Clara Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue, Santa Clara, California.

Present: Commissioners: Samia Abbasi, Sufyan Abbasi, Ajaipal Chahal, Devleena Das,

Jeff Hara, Vyvy Nguyen, Kristin Oswald, Sheryl Ratnam, Andrew Rauschhuber, Rafal Saeed, Deepika Suresh, Michelle Vo, Shana Vu, Hannah Villalpando, and

Ashley Wong

Absent: none

Guests: Matthew Araujo, City of Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Intern

Ayumi Gothberg, Member at Large

Adithya Gandasala – Student at Hyde Middle School

Staff Present: Jennifer Herb – Recreation Supervisor

Nan Choi – Teen Librarian

Matters for City Council Action – None

- I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chair Sufyan Abbasi at 6:31 p.m.
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
 - A. Matthew Araujo, City of Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Intern
 - B. Ayumi Gothberg, Member at Large
 - C. Adithya Gandasala Student at Hyde Middle School
- III. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 9 MINUTES none
- IV. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS-
 - A. Library
 - 1. November 19 Kaplan Strategies Workshop follow-up for the Practice Test on November 10.
 - 2. November 20 Kaplan College Essay Application Workshop.
 - B. Santa Clara High School
 - 1. December 12 Holiday Concert
 - 2. December 13 School Board Meeting
 - 3. December 14 Holiday Concert
 - 4. December 15 & 16 Holiday Gift Wrapping
 - 5. December 18 21, Finals
 - 6. December 22 Winter Ball
 - C. Wilcox High School

- 1. December 12 Fall Sports Awards Night
- 2. December 14 Deliver toys to George Mayne Elementary
- 3. December 14 Caroling for Cans
- 4. December 18 21, Finals
- 5. December 22 Winter Ball
- 6. January 8 RA Meeting

D. Archbishop Mitty

- 1. December 12 Advent Liturgy
- 2. December 19 21, Finals

E. St. Francis

- 1. December 11 Winter Choir Concert
- 2. December 12 Winter Band Concert
- 3. December 13 Café Mots
- 4. December 19 21, Finals

F. Bellarmine

- 1. December 3 Jazz Ensemble/Choir Concert
- 2. December 11 Symphonic Band/Percussion Ensemble Concert
- V. SUMMARY OF CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS Jennifer Herb talked to the Youth Commission about the hiring of the new City Manager.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. YAC Social, Friday November 16 The Youth Commission traveled to the City of Burlingame to take part in the CPRS District 4 YAC Social. The evening consisted of dinner, Youth Commission Panel with question/answer time, breakout session to talk to other Commissioners and find out what they're doing in their city, followed by dessert and time for networking and games. The Youth Commission traveled to Burlingame via Cal train.
- B. Teen Center High School Volleyball Tournament, Wednesday, November 21 Due to a low turnout, the tournament became a 3 on 3 game with those that showed up.
- C. S.C.'s Got Talent Auditions, December 4-6 The auditions were successful with over 30 people/groups trying out. After the auditions, the committee discussed the different acts and chose 15 to perform at the event.
- D. Tree Lighting Ceremony, December 7 The Youth Commission painted faces for donations, and assisted the Sr. Center by passing out programs and candy canes. The money raised from donations will go towards the Community Service Scholarship Fund.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Santa Clara's Got Talent The committee met to call all of the people that auditioned for the show to inform them as to whether or not they were selected. They also discussed ideas for an opening act. The Youth Commission usually opens the show with some type of performance. The committee brainstormed a list of judges they'd like to contact for the show. A committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 2 at 10:30am.
- B. Sporting Day The committee continues to meet to discuss the 5k Fun Run/Walk. The committee is aiming for Saturday, May 4 as the date of the event. The committee began developing a list of booths that they'd like to have at the "holding area." They

- also brainstormed possible theme ideas. A committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 2 at 10:00am.
- C. Save the Music Project The committee members shared the information they received from talking with the different organizations. The committee brought up the idea of using a Coca Cola fundraiser. Jennifer Herb said she'd talk to Director of Parks and Recreation to see if this is something the committee can pursue. A committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 2 at 10:30am.
- D. AED Awareness This committee continues to work on the AED video. The Committee is on hold, as they are trying to obtain the original footage of the video. There is a chance that it was lost when a hard drive crashed. A committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 2 at 11:00am.
- E. Movie Night The committee would like to show the movie on the wall outside Don Callejon School. Committee member Vyvy Nguyen will be contacting the principal of the school to see if this is a possibility. The committee is talking about showing a double feature with a family movie first and a teen movie second. A committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 2 at 11:30am.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Letters to Santa, December 3-19 The Commission signed up for shifts to come to the Teen Center and respond to Letters to Santa.
- B. An Evening with Santa, December 20 Jennifer Herb asked for a count as to who is interested in volunteering for the event.
- C. Teen Center closed due to furlough, December 24, 26-28, and January 31 Jennifer Herb reminded the Commission about the Teen Center being closed.
- D. Santa Clara's Got Talent
 - 1) Rehearsals January 22 -24, 7:00pm 9:00pm
 - 2) Event January 26
- E. Term and Scholarship applications available January 28 Jennifer Herb informed the Commission that applications will be available January 28 at SCUSD Middle and High Schools. There will be about 3 vacancies to fill for the next term.
- F. Teen Leadership Academy, March 8 Jennifer Herb talked to the Commission about the one-day conference affiliated with the CPRS conference in San Jose. She asked that Commissioners talk to parents and teachers about missing that day of school.

IX. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – None

X. ADJOURN – A motion was made by Devleena Das to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Samia Abbasi seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned to the next scheduled meeting, Tuesday, January 8, at the Teen Center.

| Minutes Prepared by: | |
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| • | Jennifer Herb |
| | Youth Commission Staff Liaison |
| | Recreation Supervisor |